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CONGRATULATIONS

On the marriage of **Belinda and Trevor Graham.**

Leaping Wolves

Dane Barry of 1st SOE Uitenhage Pack
Craig Ingram of 1st SOE Uitenhage Pack
Danielle Durandt of Algoa Pack

ALGOA SEA SCOUT GROUP

Algoa Sea Scout Group is celebrating their 75th Anniversary with a Dinner-Dance on Saturday 28 August 2004. Spread the word to all past Algoa Cubs, Scouts or leaders. They would love to have them with them on this occasion. Contact: or Cell: 0824477329.

ST CROIX SEA SCOUT TROOP CELEBRATION

The St Croix Group was founded 41 years ago. The Group is commemorating the event at a supper on Saturday 7th August 2004. in their hall in Tippers Creek, Amsterdamhoek, Port Elizabeth. The Founding Group Scouter Lynwood Reynolds and Asst. Troop Scouter, Robin Capel and later Troop Scouter (1965), will be present. The founding Troop Scouter was Alex Martin with Assistants Robin Capel and Royden Erasmus. "Akela" was Dorothy Reynolds with Assistants Margaret Wood and Phyllis Erasmus. It certainly was a family affair!

The first meeting was held around a camp fire on the hill overlooking the Zwartkops River. The other Sea Scout Groups in town were invited to attend.

WEDDING BELLS

Mr & Mrs Trevor Graham start out on their married life – right into the middle of a group of cubs and scouts. Trevor is the Troop Scouter of 1st Walmer Group and Belinda "Akela" of 1st Sunridge Pack. I suppose things will have to change there. CONGRATULATIONS Belinda and Trevor.



INTRODUCTION TO ADULT LEADERSHIP

We invite morally strong adults to lead and instruct our youth – they have applied to join the Movement and a check is made of their standing in their communities. If all is well, they are asked to attend an Introduction to Adult Leadership Course, a one day course where they learn what Scouting is about and what their responsibilities are. With this course successfully completed they then attend a Warrant Course – Cub or Scout which entails a number of days training where they are instructed much more deeply in the job in Scouting they are undertaking. On completion of this course they receive a warrant which makes them "legal" in the eyes of Scouting South Africa. Further training is available in other specific areas, such as Cub Camping, Water Awareness etc. Within five years of joining they can undertake the "Wood Badge" course which entitles them to wear the "grey" scarf of Gilwell and the beads on a leather thong. Look to see which of the Leaders are wearing their beads.



These leaders attended a recent IAL course in Port Elizabeth.

Standing behind – from L to R: SN Simon from East London, Sammy Blaauw, Gary Anderson, Alistair Dunderdale, Vanessa Prowse and Zweloxoho Nozimela.
Middle: Erica Demeyer, Sarah Love and Mardelyn Gouse.
Front: ALT Jeff Ferreira and Regional Commissioner – West : Martin de Bruyn.



What has happened here? It looks like married life has caught up with Trevor already! Come on Belinda, ease up a little! Notice Belinda is wearing a two part scarf – 1st Sunridge on the right and 1st Walmer on the left. That seems to answer our front page question.

ACTING AREA COMMISSIONER

The Chief Scout and National Scout Council have asked Rev. James Fatuse, a member of that Council to act as Area Commissioner – Cape Eastern until a permanent Area Commissioner is appointed.

SKILKANA – 2004

Presented by 1st Uitenhage SOE Cub & Scout Group
College Hill Sports Field on Saturday 23rd October – 09h00 for 09h30

Entry fee – R5.00 per scout/cub

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AMENDED LINK BADGE REQUIREMENTS

The Link Badge requirements have been amended and now are the same as is required for the Scout Membership. On going up to the Troop a Cub holding the Link Badge, can immediately be Invested into the Troop. The Troop Scouter would observe all the existing requirements for an Investiture and would certainly NOT hold the ceremony of the new Scout in front of his/her old Pack.

CUB FIRST AID COMPETITION

18 September 2004 at 1st Walmer Scout Hall – Fordyce Road – Walmer, 11h00 – 16h00

A Tuck Shop is available or brings a packed lunch.

The competition will test the Cubs on the Advancement Levels and the First Aid Badge

Be warned – the simulated wounds will look very real!

ADVERT!!

Scout Shop has a stock of the metal beret badges.

GONE HOME

Hettie Hodges – on 1st September 2004

Hettie, the Grand Dame of Cubbing in Cape Midlands Area in the 1960s and 1970s, has gone home to Higher Service. Her enthusiasm and dedication for whatever she tackled, whether Cubbing or her love of flowers and nature will be sorely missed. Condolences from the Scout Movement to Bunny and her sons Errol and Malcolm and their families.

WATER AWARENESS COURSE

All warranted Leaders in the Area are invited to attend a "Water Awareness Course" at Redhouse – Port Elizabeth, over the week end 19/22 November 2004.

Participants will camp out behind the Redhouse Yacht Club and will have the use of the facilities of the club. This course is Nationally sanctioned and will be recognised throughout the country.

More information will be available soon.

CUB TRAIL WORKSHOP - EAST LONDON

Our newer Pack Leaders made use of the opportunity to attend the recent Cub Trail Workshop in East London.



The older Leaders sit on chairs and the younger ones sit on the ground while they contemplate the situations they are faced with.

CD-ROM OF SA SCOUTING RESOURCES

Cape Western Area have produced a CD-ROM of resources for the Scout Leader, Cub Leader, Scout Group Committee member or Scout. This resource can be purchased via the website;

<http://www.scouting.org.za/library/resourcecd> for R50. Or from Cape Western Area, P.O. Box 25, Goodwood 7459. Something no Leader can do without.

SAFETY IN THE TROOP

Why do we instruct in First Aid in the Troop? Is that for when accidents do happen we know what to do about fixing the damage. That is a bit silly, but why do we subject our scouts to dangerous situations where they can be injured? Without adventure in the programme, your Troop activities would be rather bland and you would not keep the scouts coming back for more. We need to offer them a "little bit of danger" but then we, the Leader and our Assistants, must develop a "sixth sense" to know when we are going too far.



Stay with a capsized boat

I don't mean, wrap them up in cotton wool – A blister or a light cut or graze here or there never did any harm, but a broken leg or a serious bump on the head is another matter. Getting lost, alone, on a hike or a near drowning while boating certainly will make that scout think twice about hiking or boating again.

We must also consider our scouts' parents. While we show maturity and control in the activities their child is partaking in, then they are our best public relations officer – but if things go wrong, because of our wrong judgement, then they become our worst critic.

Spend a little time in analysing your performance – is it good – just so-so – down right dangerous? Do something about it.



*Keep your hands in the boat if you don't want crushed fingers!
Please sit down! What? No life-jackets!*



Too many bodies up on the rickety structure??

SWIMMING!



Warmer weather is with us! Make sure every Cub and Scout earns their Swimmers Badge this Spring and Summer.

Make your cubs and scouts safe in the water.

AREA LION CUB CAMP



Somebody left the pan at home! Cubs learn to improvise outdoors.



Smoke gets in your eyes! Sango, Grant and Dylan preparing a meal.



When I grow up, I want to be a Fireman!!



Sammy Blaauw with the "Gogoas" in front of one of the bivies.

EASTERN REGION NEWS

Umthwelange Scout Troop took part in the Bisho Eco Adventure Challenges and received a trophy for "Being Prepared" to meet any challenge that was thrown their way. Congratulations.



Scouts Monde Nazo, Siphelo Gqibela, Banela Gqibela (holding the trophy), Lunga Dyalaza, Yanga Magadla. Scouter: Linda Funani (Zebra) in front.

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